

ABSTRACT

In a bit counter 214, an amount of codes included
5 in one transmission unit is counted; in a
significance decision section 217, the amount of
codes counted in the bit counter 214 is divided by
the number of coded macroblocks included in the one
transmission unit to calculate an average amount of
10 codes per one coded macroblocks; and in a threshold
comparing section 220, the significance of the
pertinent transmission unit is decided by comparing
the average amount of codes to the calculated
threshold based on a frame rate and a bit rate.

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